

## CLAIMS

1. An animal registration management system which enables individual identification of an animal by an identifier printed or recorded in some form or another with an animal registration number belonging to a predetermined management organization, wherein

when an animal breeder registers an animal at a management organization, it first obtains an identifier, then reports an animal registration number included in the identifier to the management organization together with individual information unique to the animal which the breeder desires to register, then the management organization registers the reported animal registration number and the individual information in its database and issues an animal registration certificate linking the animal registration number and the individual information.

2. An animal registration management system which enables individual identification of an animal as set forth in claim 1, characterized in that said reporting means is an animal registration application form attached to said identifier, said animal registration application form is provided with a section for providing individual information of the animal to be registered, and said management organization stores the attached materials including the individual information of the animal which has been sent to it.

30 3. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal as set forth in claim 2, characterized in that said individual information is hair of the animal.

4. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal as set forth in claim 2, characterized in that said individual information is a scraping of mucous membrane taken from the animal.

5. An animal registration management system which

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enables the individual identification of animal as set forth in claim 2, characterized in that said individual information is blood, a body fluid, or other biological specimen.

5           6. An animal registration management system which  
enables the individual identification of an animal as set  
forth in claim 1, characterized in that said reporting  
means is the animal registration number included in said  
10 identifier and image data of individual information  
unique to the animal, the animal breeder reports to the  
management organization by data communication or by  
sending a medium containing said data, and said control  
organization registers that data of said reported animal  
15 registration number and individual information in its  
database.

7. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal as set forth in claim 6, characterized in that the image data of said individual information is an image of the pattern of spots of the body of the animal.

8. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal as set forth in claim 6, characterized in that the image data of said individual information is a nose print of the animal.

9. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal as set forth in claim 6, characterized in that the image data of said individual information is an image of whorls of hair of the face part and torso of the animal.

10. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal characterized in that the image data of said individual information is an image of an iris of an eye of the animal.

11. An animal registration management system which enables the individual identification of an animal

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